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## A Solemn Dedication

### Statement of Policy Adopted By Newly Organized American Friends Board of Missions

THE Board of Missions of the Five Years Meeting of the Society of Friends, recognizing the very grave responsibility thrust upon it by the work of the two Boards that hitherto have labored separately within the geographical limitations of the United States and in foreign countries; and recognizing that in the thought and purpose of our Heavenly Father there are no such things as national boundaries, racial limitations, and class distinctions; and recognizing that not only the man himself but the place in which and conditions under which man lives lie within the purpose of the divine redemption, solemnly dedicates itself to the following program:

First, to discover and cultivate within the lives of Friends everywhere in a much deeper and more vital way than hitherto, those resources of spiritual power and living which have been so clearly revealed to us in Jesus Christ.

Second, to carry this spiritual experience of the indwelling Christ out into every area of human relationships everywhere.

Third, to carefully select people for this supremely important task whose lives will abundantly radiate this spirit of the living Christ abiding in their hearts.

Fourth, to carry out this program in harmony with the statements of belief set forth by the Five Years Meeting.





## ON THE HORIZON OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

### STARVATION IN EASTERN LATVIA

The flood in the Mississippi valley impoverished the people, but in the province of Latgale, in eastern Latvia, a republic in northeastern Europe, the farmers and others there have just gone through another flood, this being the fifth succeeding spring in which their farms have been overflowed. This has brought the people to a starvation basis and the Latvian Red Cross is trying to raise funds for their needs. The children, especially, are needing food, clothing and shelter, and if any reader desires to help, the money should be sent by bank check or draft, or by postoffice money order to "Latvian Red Cross, Riga, Latvia (Europe)" with a letter stating that the money is for the "Latgalian Children's Fund." If a reply is desired from a child it should be so stated. Correspondence can be in the English language. Latvia, it might be explained, is one of the new republics formed at the close of the World War. The people are very friendly to the United States. One American dollar has the value of three to five in Latvia, this depending on the commodity purchased.

### MARX OR CHRIST IN JAPAN—WHICH?

When the common people were given the franchise last year the number of voters in Japan was increased from three million to twelve, but these new voters, being inexperienced, elected only eight men to Parliament, writes a correspondent from Ashiya, Japan. Though the demeanor of these new members during the present sessions has been notably quiet and constructive, recently a rowdy called on one of them in his bedroom, demanded that he resign his seat in Parliament, and when he declined, stabbed him to death, "to purge Parliament of Marxism." Naturally strong feeling characterized the public funeral in Tokyo. Although the crowds were orderly, thirty

proletarian sympathizers were arrested. A number were arrested in Osaka on suspicion of planning to hold a memorial service, and in Sendai nine were jailed to frustrate a similar plan. The Premier in the present government is an ex-army officer. His method of stamping out "dangerous thought" is ineffective, for the millions in Japan who eagerly study the social theories of Karl Marx are driven to it by hunger, by a growing feeling that economic conditions need readjustment. A better way of dealing with radical thought would be that quoted by Maude Royden of London at our table last summer. A man was trying to erect his red flag in Trafalgar Square. A London bobby came along. The crowd expected him to warn the radical against seditious speech. Instead he helped him plant his flag. An ardent patriot protested: "He is a Bolshevik!" The policeman sagely remarked, "We better let 'em blow huff than blow hup."

### PROGRESS OF VILLAGE EDUCATION IN INDIA

Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, recently returned from a study of mission stations in Asia, has pointed out the new emphasis that is being placed upon "education for life in the villages," especially in India. Heretofore, he said, most of the education, both missionary and governmental, has prepared boys and girls so that it was inevitable they should leave the country and go into the city. Village schools prepared for middle schools in the towns; middle schools prepared for high schools; high schools prepared for colleges. And the greater one's education the less possible was it for him to return to the agricultural village. This, of course, is the identical problem in America. He, however, found in India many hopeful signs of the changing of this system of schools. He pointed to the school at Moga, and the "Village of the New Day" at Asansol, where village boys are actually trained in village arts and crafts and fitted to make their villages better Indian villages upon their return from school to their home communities. He named theological schools training pastors for Indian village service, and normal schools training teachers for service in practical Indian village schools. The future, he believes, will see the development of schools along these lines in all Asia and Africa—rather than patterned after the Oxford and Cambridge system.

## Lovest Thou Me?

LOVE is expressed in terms of self-denial and sacrificial giving that Christ and His message of love may be shared with others.

To every Friend an opportunity is afforded for self-expression by giving to the support of their mission workers at home and abroad. Gifts may be sent through your local meeting treasurer. Let the measure of your love be the measure of your gift.

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### STRONG PRONOUNCEMENT ON WAR AND PEACE

Denouncing those who regard war as the mother of all progress, Professor von Harnack, celebrated German theologian, declares that on the contrary war involves the wreckage of every moral principle, the outbreak of calumny and deceit, the ruin of civilization, chaos and extermination. "As the origin of war is economic greed, blind nationalism, and racial pride, we can see clearly what constitutes peace and how we should obtain it. Peace is the outcome of a real bond of friendship between nations, created and sustained by the mobilization of all moral forces: justice, love of one's neighbor and of the foreigner, international intercourse for beneficent ends, these are the necessary conditions of peace. The duty of our time is to fulfill the message of peace on earth. Enlightened statesmen in both hemispheres are working for that object; but progress will be slow, since it will mean a hard fight against economic and political selfishness. Conversion, the spirit of sacrifice, a new kind of education and a new spirit will be indispensable to us. So much so, that true pacifism, far from being a source of weakness, will strengthen the nations by bringing their best energies into play."



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## But the Same Task

IN WHAT might be termed the keynote message given before the members of the Mission Board at Richmond the other day, emphasis was laid upon the changing front of Christian aggressiveness. This change is a continuous process that should be kept well in mind. We would be spared much concern and anxiety if we could better realize that throughout the history of the Christian Church each generation has had to meet situations different from those faced by the preceding generation. In the ever changing aspects of thought and conduct, new problems arise for solution demanding new approaches to them.

But the same task remains. Let us never forget that. Indeed, it is our very devotion to that same task that requires the ever changing front. Otherwise we would be content to muddle on in the easiest way, inertly conforming to the past in word and method. Christ himself has set us the master example of the changing front in loyalty to the spirit of truth and righteousness. His whole attitude was given in his expression, "It hath been said of old—but I say unto you." In the changing front which he presented so courageously he was fulfilling, not abrogating, the righteousness proclaimed by the Jewish lawgivers and prophets. His enemy Pharisees, so intent upon the form and method that they had lost the substance, sent him to death for the revolutionary approach which he introduced. Yet his was the same task as that of the fathers whom the Pharisees extolled.

So it has been, on down through the Christian centuries, as suggested by the aforementioned message which follows this editorial. So it is now—at the Jerusalem Conference in 1928 and at the first annual session of the American Friends Board of Missions at Richmond in 1929. Read again the latter's statement of policy on the cover page. Although a general statement only, it is clearly implicit of the changing front. "Into every area of human relationships everywhere." Such an expression was almost wholly foreign to the Christian church and the missionary movement one hundred years ago. It is even yet very much in the realm of ideals, but it suggests a new and wider inclusiveness of the Christian ethic. But this statement is equally eloquent of devotion and consecration to the same task. Even a casual reading makes that clear. The approach has been changed and widened that the task of redemption may be the better performed.

Speaking more particularly to our own and immediate problems, there is continuous change in the or-

ganization and method of our work. To some this has been objectionable because it is confusing. While there is no merit in change for the sake of change, and while the element of confusion does enter in, the test of the matter is whether the task is better accomplished. Instead of two Mission Boards we now have one. In the fact itself there is no virtue. We have the same task as before—a task that is not one whit less. If anybody has surmised that one Board means less personal responsibility and less support on the part of the membership, let him stand corrected at once. We are not trying, God grant, to dodge tasks, but to do them more adequately.

Illustrations of our theme are plentiful on the fields of our missionary efforts. Take the question of personnel. It is one of a continually changing front, as will be found in reading the report in this issue. Workers come and workers go, but the work goes on. The requirements vary from time to time, demanding workers of varied capacity and training. The test, however, is not so much what they can do and how, as it is the spirit in which they labor. The workers sought are those "whose lives will abundantly radiate the spirit of the living Christ abiding in their hearts."

Another element in the changing personnel is the steadily increasing number of native workers and leaders. A generation or so ago we were supplying all the leaders, as well as all the financial support, and doing the work for the peoples to whom we went. Now we are doing it with them and through them. What finer justification of this changing policy could be asked than is found in Maria and Fortunato Castillo in Mexico, Arsenia Catala and Francisco Gonzalez in Cuba, Montclair Hoffman and Charles Vincent in Jamaica, Joseph Ngiara in Africa, Khalil Totah in Palestine and Philip and Susie Frazier in Oklahoma?

The changing and differing front is further illustrated in the varying emphasis on the several fields. For example, on the Oklahoma Indian field alone we are told that each of the four stations makes its own individual approach to the people to whom it ministers. But the task is one and the same—that of bringing men and women and children into the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

By reference to the report of action taken by the Executive Committee of the Five Years Meeting, readers will find that the estimated needs of the united work for the current fiscal year are fixed at a sum slightly in excess of that for last year. This, in spite of the fact that the receipts for the year re-



cently ended were ten thousand dollars under those of the preceding year. Experience has proved that when the estimates are lowered to meet decreasing receipts, the latter, instead of rising to meet the overture, continue in their downward road—to destruction. The Committee declined to assume further responsibility for such a deplorable tendency. In fixing the urgent needs of the work it could not be honest with itself and with its constituency without stating the facts of the case. The needs are obvious—the responsibility of meeting them rests with the church. Whether we are spiritually alive or indifferently inert, whether generously responsive or selfishly penurious, the task is the same. And it is our task—the task of every Friend of the Five Years Meeting. We are never going to meet it by paring down budgets and losing our souls by attrition.

That this question is a much deeper one than a question of finance was fully realized in the annual meetings reported in this issue. The primary task now is the same that it has always been—the deepening of the spiritual life of the Church. “To discover and cultivate within the lives of Friends everywhere,

in a much deeper and more vital way than hitherto, those resources of spiritual power and living which have been so clearly revealed to us in Jesus Christ”—that is the great objective before us. If and when we measurably realize it, we shall not have to worry over diminishing contributions to our united work. This hope is more than a pious aspiration. It took hold of the Board of Missions, and the Executive Committee spent the major part of its sessions considering it. Action was taken looking toward developments that should bring things to pass. We are confident the same concern rests heavily upon all the Boards of the Five Years Meeting. The chairman of one Board, who was present at the meeting, in writing of this concern which gripped the sessions, says: “The whole church ought to feel the impact of the effort that will be made to stir to the depths the religious life of the body and of the individual membership.” May it be so.

Yes, fronts of activity continually change. That’s what makes for advance in civilization. But the same task remains—always the same task.

# The Changing Christian Front

## An Interpretation of Modern Missions

AT THE meeting for worship held with members of the Mission Board on the Sunday evening preceding the business meetings of the Board, Charles M. Woodman preached a sermon on the theme, “The Changing Front of Christian Aggressiveness.” He based his remarks upon the tempestuous crisis through which the Christian Church passed in the first century, when as a result it shifted the front of its activity from the Jewish to the Gentile world. He reminded his hearers that Christianity has always been changing its front to meet the changing conditions of the world. The most notable instance aside from that in the first century was in the Protestant Reformation.

Reviewing the progress of Christianity from the days of the famous “haystack prayer-meeting” to the present hour, he called attention to the great significance of the Jerusalem Conference held a year ago last Easter when two hundred and forty representatives of the Church of Christ met on the Mount of Olives for a consideration of the status of Christianity in the world at the present time. He spoke in part as follows:

“Consider some of the changes that have recently taken place. First, the changes in that area of life which are definitely setting against the Christian program. Formerly the missionary went out to do conflict with heathen religions. Today these as objects of attack by Christianity have faded into the background.

“Look at the list of the forces that are hurling themselves against the citadel of the Christian faith. There is the shattering impact of the war with its bitter disillusionments of the post-war world; the emergence of great new pretenders to the control of life, like Bolshevism and Fascism; the breakdown of belief in spiritual reality and in authority in morals; the upheaval of vehement racial and national demands for self-determination in every continent; the tidal flow of a mechanistic civilization across the world; the frenzied pursuit of pleasure and prosperity as the chief end of man; and the spread of modern industrial conditions into Asia and Africa, with disastrous results on unnumbered multitudes of unorganized labor, especially women and children. Here is a mountain

range of problems presented to contemporary Christianity, a mountain range that fills the whole horizon.

“This series of changes can be summed up in one word, secular civilization, a force that comes up from the rear where Christianity is supposedly strong. Secular civilization is a western product, and races across the world like a prairie fire burning up idealism in its path.

“The second group of changes concern themselves with the methods of procedure, types of thinking and policy, even the use of phrases. The eternal truth of the Evangel abides, but its front of aggressive activity is changing rapidly.

“We shall drop the word ‘foreign’ with its stigma of inferiority, and its isolation of problems. Our work is not a foreign problem, but a world problem, as acute in England and the United States as in Asia or Africa. We have significantly dropped the words ‘foreign’ and ‘home’ from this united Board. In the Edinburgh Conference there were twenty nationals out of twelve hundred delegates; at the Jerusalem Conference there were fifty nationals out of two hundred and forty delegates. Counsel, advice and fellowship from those who believe in Christ from across the seas will hold in the future a constantly growing place.

“We may have to change the word ‘missions’ or assign it to a new connotation, which will clearly embrace internationalism as a vital problem for Christianity to face and solve. Missions will have not only to carry the Gospel to other races; it will be obliged to render large service in solving the race question.

“We shall look for a fresh and a vital Christianity in other lands which will have force enough to rekindle the fires of spirituality in America. If today we want to find the outstanding example of stewardship we look to the Christian Church in Korea; if we would find real Church unity we find it in the Church in China. If we want a revival of spirituality we may find inspiration for it in the East. The East gave us Christianity; we may well look to it for a contribution to warm the often cold and crystalized Western Christian faith.



"We shall henceforth go forth not to preach to, but to live with those whom we would reach for Christ.

"We shall re-appraise our Christian faith and incorporate the social message as an integral part of the good news of the Evangel. The place and conditions under which men live, as well as men themselves, fall within the purpose of the divine redemption. Walter Rauschenbusch and Washington Gladden were often called too liberal and radical at the close of the last century; today they are everywhere recognized as prophets of an era in which Christian faith is being applied to every human relationship.

"We shall hereafter in missionary policy and program be free from the military protection of the home government. Christianity and nationalism are parting company and the rift between them will increase as Christianity more closely interprets the spirit and life of Jesus.

"We shall seek for common grounds of building and points of contact with other religious systems in place of the avowed antagonisms of the past centuries. Heathen religions are decadent; so is formalized Christianity. We are humiliated when we realize that our religion with its incarnation, its cross and its resurrection as applied in our lives could neither prevent nor stop the world war. And all religions seem for the time being to be helpless before the common enemy, secular civilization.

"We shall learn even in an age that is committed to 'evolution' (if I may quote from one of the reports submitted to the

Jerusalem Conference) that cosmic processes do not renovate society. Human progress is not inevitable. The sorry history of civilization refutes such a rosy theory of life. The cosmic urge does not push the world of men up into beauty, goodness and truth. These fruits of the spirit are obtained only by a dedication of human spirits cooperating with God. This is the divine method of human progress. This is the method of the cross. We die to let others live.

"These are some of the changes that are taking place along the frontier of Christian aggressiveness. They are changes that are aimed to meet an old enemy in a new garb and in a new place. It is attacking from the rear. They are changes that lay hold upon the underlying moral forces that make for righteousness, for in these God works. They are changes that are bringing the Man of Galilee into close grips with every problem and heartache and longing and hope of the individual and the social human heart.

"There was Jerusalem A. D. 33—Jesus and twelve men. Here was Jerusalem A. D. 1929—Jesus and two hundred and forty representatives from fifty different nations meeting from the ends of the earth, and on a common basis of spiritual fellowship and practical work. Yonder over the horizon of time is Jerusalem A. D. 3000—Jesus and may we not believe some great group of the children of men who will have solved the crucial problems of that hour long ago in 1928, and will be facing a new frontier of Christian aggressiveness."

# New Mission Board Launched

## Report of First Annual Session of American Friends Board of Missions

By ELIZABETH H. EMERSON

TO THOSE Friends most deeply interested in the cause of missions, ever since the Five Years Meeting in 1927 the words "May, 1929" have meant just one thing—the organizing of the Board of Missions. For it was the decision of the Five Years Meeting, after long consideration of pros and cons, to unite the Home and Foreign Boards, and May, 1929, was the appointed time for the Marriage Feast. Every Yearly Meeting in the Five Years Meeting was to appoint for membership on the new Board, two members and an additional one for each 8,000 members or fraction thereof above 5,000. The Women's Missionary Union was also to appoint two members. Accordingly on Sunday, May 12th, there gathered from all parts of the country, a representative group, to sit together around the tables in an upper room in First Friends Meetinghouse, and take this most important step in Friends Missions.

The sessions began with a meeting for worship on Sunday evening, when the feelings of responsibility for the task before us prevailed the gathering. An outline of the address given by Charles M. Woodman is printed in this issue.

We recommend that it be read carefully as a preface to this report.

### ORGANIZATION OF NEW BOARD

Much preparation had been made by the two executive committees for the actual step of uniting the two Mission Boards. An agenda was presented which with minor changes was carried out in the conducting of the business. The Home and Foreign Boards met separately on Monday morning to complete their work, and the first business session of the joint Board was on Monday afternoon. Roll-call showed all members except three present. The complete list follows:

Baltimore: Lewis C. Moon, Fannie M. Pretlow.

California: Grace H. White (not present), D. R. Marling, Frank W. Dell.

Canada: Ella Firth (not present).

Indiana: Flora T. Sayers, Charles M. Woodman, Elizabeth H. Emerson.

Iowa: Charles O. Whitely, Howard W. Cope, Ellison R. Purdy.

Kansas: Lena A. Hadley, Bertha S. Sumpter, A. J. Haworth.

New England: Moses Bailey, Mary Paige Ware.

New York: William C. Taber, George H. Wood.

Nebraska: Inez T. Foreman, Theodore Foxworthy.

North Carolina: Clara I. Cox (not present), J. Waldo Woody, Nathan D. Andrews.

Western: Sylvester Jones, Charles L. Coffin, Mary Hiatt, Mary Miars Harold.

Wilmington: O. Herschel Folger, Lucy A. Compton, Laurena H. Farquhar.

Missionary Union: Harriett W. Purdy, Lenora N. Hobbs.

Early in the meetings, appointments were made of five members at large: Richard R. Newby of Western, A. Ward Applegate and Ruthanna M. Simms of Indiana, Elizabeth L. Hazard of New York, and Murray S. Kenworthy of Baltimore. These names were proposed, as were all appointments made, by a nominating committee made up of representatives from all Yearly Meetings except Canada, which had no representative present.

When the organization was completed, at the table sat Howard W. Cope, chairman; Alta L. Jewell, secretary, and Mary Paige Ware, recording secretary for the sessions. Former members of both boards were welcomed and given privileges of the floor as were also Arthur and Edna



Chilson, the only missionaries present. Those of the former boards not otherwise mentioned, appearing at part or all sessions were Irene Stranahan of Iowa, Mabel Quigg and W. S. Kitch of Western, and Lucy Hill Binford of Indiana.

Great regret was felt and expressed over the enforced absence of B. Willis Beede at this time, to which he had looked forward so long. Readers of the A. F. have learned of his break in health and sojourn in California. The following letter was read from him:

To the American Friends Board of Missions:

Dear Friends: For more than five years I have looked forward to this day when the mission interests of Friends should be joined under the care of one Board, and I share with you in the joy and satisfaction that must be yours as you face enlarged opportunities for service with Christ.

You are facing new and untried paths. There are problems ahead that will perplex you. There may be barriers that seem unsurmountable. But as you wait upon the Lord, you will renew your strength, you will mount up with wings as eagles, you will run and not be weary, you will walk and not faint.

These past two months have brought to me fresh revelations of the goodness of God and the sweetness of the fellowship of the Saints.

We live in a world that needs the transforming touch of the living Christ. Many are careless and indifferent on the surface of their lives, but down deep in their souls men crave for God.

To us as a Society has been intrusted the rare and sacred privilege of so living and working that we may daily show forth a religion of beauty, love, truth, and grace.

You will be busy with figures and reports and personalities, but I hope and pray that throughout your deliberations together you may be very sensible of the high privilege that is yours of sharing Jesus Christ with many people in various parts of the earth and that you may plan with an eye single to the growth of the Kingdom of God among men.

My love goes out to you in this your first meeting together and I shall remember you in prayer.

In the remainder of this report, no attempt will be made to observe sequence of time but rather to mention those subjects and actions of the Board which seem of most importance as we look back upon the three days.

Surveys of the various fields abroad were presented by Alta Jewell. Each gave a historical background of the mission, the type of mission work being done, the workers now on the field, and the changes being made. On the whole, the reports were encouraging. Especially to be noted as evidence of growth is the advance in financial independence. In Jamaica we read, "Central Finance Committee responsible for support of churches—envelope system being instituted in each of the churches," etc. In Cuba, under the church at Holguin, "self-support—57 regular weekly contributions;" Ramallah Meeting, "self-support-

ing." In Africa where tithing is practiced, "self-support increasing." "Native contributions for church support, \$7,669.54." A steady growth in membership and development in leadership is to be seen in all these fields.

#### CHANGES IN FIELD PERSONNEL

A few changes in personnel should be noted. In Jamaica, ever since Milo Hinckle and wife left the field in 1922, the Foreign Mission Board has been looking for a resident minister for the Seaside church. Cecil and Esta Bedford Haworth were appointed to fill this long realized need. Cecil Haworth is a graduate of Penn College and of Biblical Seminary of New York. He has had experience in pastoral work. Esta Bedford Haworth is the daughter of H. Clark Bedford and is well prepared for her work by college education, teaching experience and a year of study in the Seminary.

Mary Pickett, long time worker in Mexico, is returning to the States to care for her aged mother, and her place is being filled by Louetta Knight of North Carolina, a teacher and church worker of several years' experience.

Merle and Carrie Davis are leaving their post at Holguin, where in a nine-year period Merle has built up the Holguin school in such a way as to receive the trust and honor of Cuban people in a marked degree. They are returning to the States and will be on furlough next year. Merle Davis has suffered a breakdown which necessitates complete rest. Their places will be filled by Roy and Ruth Trueblood Votaw of California Yearly Meeting. These young people are graduates of Whittier College. He is also completing his course in Boston University School of Religious Education. Both are well prepared for taking over a task of great responsibilities.

One of the results of the recent visit to this country of Khalil Totah, head of the Boys School in Ramallah, Palestine, is the arrangement for Roscoe and Louise Stinetorf of Richmond, Indiana, and Clara Mary Newsom of Western Yearly Meeting, all graduates of Earlham College, to go as teachers to that field. Roscoe Stinetorf is graduating from Earlham this year with high honors. His wife has held a position in the Central Offices with the Foreign Mission Board for the past six months. Louise Stinetorf did the stenographic work for the Board during its sessions. These three Friends will receive their full support from the Mission School at Ram Allah.

#### PRESENT PHASES OF MISSION WORK

A few other items gave cause for rejoicing: the completing of translation of the New Testament by Emory J. and Deborah Rees and the sending of 5,000 copies to Africa to be followed by other

shipments, printed by the American Bible Society; the assuming of responsibility on the part of the Mexican mission to raise money for a new school building at Matehuala. The new building and equipment will require a sum of \$25,000, one-third of which is to be provided in Mexico and two-thirds in this country.

A survey of all foreign fields exclusive of Jamaica (reports of which had not come in) which had been undertaken by Lewis C. Moon, shows totals as follows:

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| Territory, square miles..... | 55,257    |
| People .....                 | 438,000   |
| Native workers .....         | 943       |
| Congregations .....          | 210       |
| Monthly Meetings .....       | 20        |
| Schools .....                | 242       |
| Teachers .....               | 221       |
| Total property value.....    | \$463,699 |

Ruthanna M. Simms, former Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board, reported on the Indian work in Oklahoma, the Tennessee Mountain work, work in the cities and rural districts, Nebraska Yearly Meeting, Nebraska Central College and Spiritual Resources.

The last named subject was presented early in the meetings and received careful consideration. The Home Mission Board has considered as part of its field the growth in spiritual life of the home constituency. It has felt the forces of materialism, indifference, lowered moral standards and lack of aggressiveness affecting spiritual energy, and has considered as its laboratories the realms of ministry, pastoral leadership, worship, and evangelism. A lending library of about two hundred books has been established and used by sixty pastors. Also ministers have been enabled to buy books at reduced prices and considerable use has been made of this opportunity. Several conferences have been held dealing with problems of spiritual life, as well as assistance given in starting discussion groups. There were many expressions relative to the importance of this type of service and the hope was voiced that among the many concerns of the new Board this most vital one would not be neglected nor lost.

The by-laws provide for a Secretary of Spiritual Resources. This appointment has not been made, but will be cared for after further prayerful consideration.

No changes are being made in the stations in Oklahoma. We have there a corps of eager and alert workers who occupy four stations. Each puts the major emphasis in a slightly different place; that at the Kickapoo Mission being Christian social welfare work; the Big Jim, evangelism through economic and industrial development; the Osage, applied Christianity; and Wyandotte, religious education.

In Tennessee, the work among the mountaineers is going forward under the



care of the Ransomes and Fred McMillin. There is opportunity for the opening of a new center, as another denomination is ready to turn over a station to Friends. Seventeen children from these mountain homes are in Friendsville Academy this year.

Nebraska Yearly Meeting is a home mission field. A program of goals adopted at a recent Yearly Meeting conference at Central City shows the alertness of this group. Nebraska Central College is passing through a very trying period and appealed for financial aid. Elizabeth Marsh, a graduate of Nebraska Central College and now Young Friends Secretary, at the request of the former Home Missions Secretary, made a plea for the interest and financial aid of the Board. Great sympathy was felt for the self-sacrificing Friends who continue this institution under hard conditions. Owing to the straitened state of finances, the matter of financial aid was referred to the Executive Committee of the Five Years Meeting with the recommendation that it render help if possible.

The matter of choice of Secretaries was, of course, an important one, and the report of the nominating committee was awaited with great interest. There was general satisfaction with the appointment of B. Willis Beede as Administrative Secretary with leave of absence for the coming year; Charles O. Whitely, as acting Administrative Secretary; Dickinson Trust Company as treasurer; and Alta L. Jewell as Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer. As before mentioned, the appointment of Secretary of Spiritual Resources awaits future developments.

A proposed budget had been prepared by the Budget Committee appointed by the two former Boards, based on the askings of the various fields and past experience in conducting the work. After much discussion and minor adjustments, the decision was reached to adopt a working budget of approximately \$102,000, with a statement of the need for \$115,000. The latter amount includes a sum sufficient to make a substantial payment on the indebtedness of the Board.

It was the united feeling of the Board that it is unwilling to operate in such a way that it remains in debt. Yet every field seems far too important in its work to have its force cut down and its progress hindered by lack of resources. The working budget adopted is less than the proposed one, already necessitating some retrenchments and will necessitate decided cuts, if only that amount is contributed. If \$115,000 is raised, the work can go on without serious retrenchment.

#### STATEMENT OF POLICY

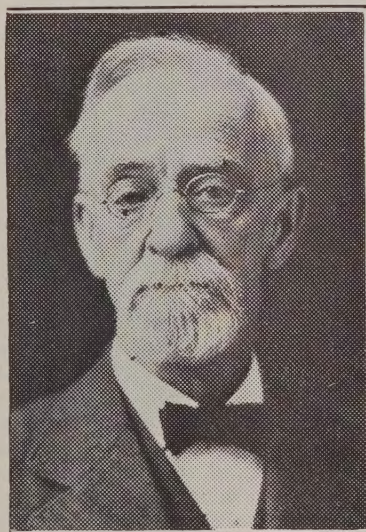
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#### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS



CHARLES G. CARPENTER

The span of earthly life extending still,  
Though three and ninety years now lie  
between;

The mind, in passing, gathers up with  
keen

And growing interest, those facts that  
fill

The memory and give new joys, until  
Your heart o'erflows, as friends of youth  
are seen

Who bring their greetings, while that  
noble queen

Of hearts sits by your side to do your  
will.

The vantage point of vision now attained,  
Nonagenarians alone may know;

Accept best wishes, too, from younger  
friends,

That, having steadily but surely gained  
This lofty height, you may, while here  
below,

Enjoy in fullness all that Father sends.

JOHN R. WEBB.

Richmond, Indiana,  
May 21, 1929.

hitherto, those resources of spiritual power and living which have been so clearly revealed to us in Jesus Christ.

Second, to carry this spiritual experience of the indwelling Christ out into every area of human relationships everywhere.

Third, to carefully select people for this supremely important task whose lives will abundantly radiate this spirit of the living Christ abiding in their hearts.

Fourth, that this program be carried out in harmony with the statements of belief set forth by the Five Years Meeting.

The devotional periods were uplifting times of worship. The difficulties in the way of uniting two lines of work were real, not the least of which was that of thinking in new lines. Chairman Howard W. Cope found it necessary to ask that we have great charity for one another during this period of adjustment. On the whole, we marveled that the union had been effected with such ease. Perhaps the saving grace of humor which sent us repeatedly into hearty laughter over our blunders and misunderstandings, really did save us. Surely there was not one among us who did not appreciate the privilege of thus meeting and learning. As we separated, it was with sincere prayer for the work in hand, for ourselves as your representatives in carrying farther that work, and for the support of every Meeting, both in money and consecrated interest.

#### ADDITIONAL NOTES

A mere laywoman could perhaps be forgiven for noticing the preponderance of preachers among us. However, it was one of their number who pointed out the too large percent of clericals and those who owed their living to clericals.

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Charles Coffin of Western and D. R. Marling of California bore the distinction of being the farmer members. The other distinction they had in common was not mentioned. We suppose it wasn't farming that added cubits to their stature.

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William C. Taber and George H. Wood represented business and without their combined wisdom in the matter of budget, we might be yet in session. Of course most of us were in the dark about the way they arrived at figures, but we approved of the place they reached and concealed our ignorance.

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If Frank W. Dell's faithful little kodak did its duty, California Friends will know more than others about the personnel. Or will he be generous and share his snaps with all of us?

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Alta L. Jewell has been a model of efficiency in the Foreign Board Office for

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# Executive Committee in Session

## Important Action in Review

ON MAY 16 and 17 the Executive Committee of the Five Years Meeting met at Richmond in annual session. Homer L. Morris, who was chosen Chairman following the reorganization of the Committee in October, 1927, presided at the opening meeting. In the organization of the Board of Missions he ceases to be a member of the Committee and Isaac T. Johnson was chosen to succeed him as Chairman. Hearty appreciation was voiced of the fine service which had been rendered by Homer L. Morris in this capacity.

Active members present at one or more sessions were: Lindley M. Binford, Portland, Maine; S. Edgar Nicholson, Brooklyn, New York; Lindley D. Clark, Baltimore, Maryland; Nathan D. Andrews and Richard L. Hollowell, Greensboro, North Carolina; Isaac T. Johnson, Urbana, Ohio; Laurena Farquhar, Wilmington, Ohio; David M. Edwards and Alonzo M. Gardner, Richmond, Indiana; Alvin T. Coate and George H. Evans, Indianapolis, Indiana; Sumner A. Mills, West Newton, Indiana; Richard R. Newby, Plainfield, Indiana; Edgar H. Stranahan and William E. Berry, Oskaloosa, Iowa; Howard W. Cope, Marshalltown, Iowa; Ellison R. Purdy, Minneapolis, Minnesota; W. S. Hadley, Wichita, Kansas; Theodore Foxworthy, Alda, Nebraska; Frank W. Dell, Whittier, California. Non-voting members, in addition to the Central Office executives, were present in the persons of Elizabeth L. Hazard and Lewis C. Moon, Field Secretaries of New York and Baltimore Yearly Meetings, respectively.

The Committee met under a deep sense of the loss which it had suffered during the year in the passing of John R. Cary. The following tribute presented by the Central Committee was adopted as a Minute of the Executive Committee:

Members of the Central Committee came together April 8, 1929, under a deep sense of loss in the passing, since they last met, of one of their number, John R. Cary, who has filled so large a place of fine, Christian leadership in their councils and in those of the Executive Committee. For itself and in behalf of the Executive Committee, the Central Committee desires to offer for permanent record a brief expression of deep appreciation of an inspired and unifying service whose influence cannot be measured. That service was distinctive for its quality and for its inclusiveness. There were deep devotion and unflagging faithfulness; keen discernment and warmth of sympathy; undisturbed courage and unfaltering hope; sound judgment and a sense of spiritual direction. Supplementing these fundamental qualities, there was a quickness of perception, a facility of expression that often enabled him to express a group judgment that was other-

wise still articulate. With it all there was a sincere humility, which, combined with a gentle humor and a spirit of comradeship, endeared him to those with whom he worked. There is no John R. Cary left among us. May we hope and pray, however, that so far as may be possible, his mantle may descend, not upon one, but upon all of us, that the cause so dear to him may continue to be served and advanced.

In the above connection the Executive Committee paused to pay tribute of appreciation to three other former Presiding Clerks of the Five Years Meeting who have passed on within the year: Edmund Stanley, for nearly forty years Clerk of Kansas Yearly Meeting; Joseph John Mills, who also served the Five Years Meeting as its first General Secretary; and Robert E. Pretlow, who was a member of the Executive Committee for five years. In the remembrance of all these Friends there is much to cherish, to inspire and to encourage.

### A SPIRITUAL SERVICE PROPOSED

Among matters of prime importance considered was the report of the Central Committee having to do with the nomination of an Executive Secretary of the Five Years Meeting, which responsibility was assigned to it one year ago. The Chairman reported that in correspondence with members of the Executive Committee during the intervening period and in reviewing the situation as it has developed, the Central Committee had become quite clear that a different type of service than that formerly conceived is now needed. It had come to feel that the demand of the hour is for a spiritual service that will help to deepen the Christian life of the membership generally, rather than for an administrative and executive service. The Executive Committee heartily concurred in the conclusion of the Central Committee and discussed very fully the various aspects of the work proposed. It was finally voted as the sense of the Committee that a Secretary be selected to work under the Executive Committee with special reference to the development of the spiritual life of the church and of its membership. The choice of the Secretary was referred to the Central Committee, the selection to be made as soon as the proper person can be found and the financial situation seems to warrant the action.

The major regular order of business at the May meeting of the Executive Committee has to do with the consideration and fixing of the United Budget estimates for the current fiscal year. As usual, each Board and agency presented the needs of its work, the various esti-

mates being considered by the Committee, first severally and then in toto.

In connection with the askings of the American Friends Board of Missions there was presented a request from Nebraska Central College for an appropriation of \$7,000 to be applied toward its sustaining fund. Elizabeth Marsh made a strong appeal before the Committee in behalf of the College, showing the excellent and strategic work it is doing in our Home Mission field. There was full sympathy in the Committee with the request, although it was felt that the full amount asked could not be included in the budget. An item of \$3,500 was added to the Mission Board askings for this purpose and the Executive Committee authorized the appointment of a co-operating committee to aid the college in raising the rest of the \$7,000 requested.

### UNITED BUDGET ESTIMATES

The United Budget estimates for year 1929-30 were unanimously adopted as follows:

|                                                        |                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Mission Board .....                                    | \$118,500.00       |
| Peace Association .....                                | 5,000.00           |
| Young Friends .....                                    | 4,500.00           |
| Prohibition .....                                      | 500.00             |
| Education .....                                        | 300.00             |
| Religious Education .....                              | 2,005.00           |
| Aged Ministers and Missionaries .....                  | 4,000.00           |
| Emergency (\$5,000) to apply on 1922-27 deficit) ..... | 9,000.00           |
| United Promotion .....                                 | 7,500.00           |
|                                                        | <hr/> \$151,305.00 |

It should be explained that the United Promotion item was fixed at a figure sufficient to include the securing of the proposed Secretary having to do with the spiritual life of the church.

The Secretary reported to the Executive Committee that ten Yearly Meetings have ratified the amendment proposed by the Five Years Meeting in 1927 for the revision of the Queries as follows:

| Meeting         | Minute | Time of Y. M.            |
|-----------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Baltimore ..... | 32     | Nov. 16-20, 1927         |
| Nebraska .....  | 18     | June 6-10, 1928          |
| California .... | 15     | June 19-24, 1928         |
| New England..   | 25     | June 22-27, 1928         |
| N. Carolina.... | 34     | Aug. 7-11, 1928          |
| Wilmington ...  | 70     | Aug. 14-18, 1928         |
| Western .....   | 22     | Aug. 21-26, 1928         |
| Iowa .....      | 26     | Aug. 28 to Sept. 1, 1928 |
| Indiana .....   | 51     | Aug. 28 to Sept. 2, 1928 |
| Kansas .....    | 75     | Oct. 16-21, 1928         |

Since this constitutes the necessary four-fifths majority, the Executive Committee entered it as a matter of record that the revised Queries as presented in the Minutes of the Five Years Meeting for 1927 are now an integral part of the Uniform Discipline.

The Secretary, Walter C. Woodward, requested that a small committee be ap-



pointed to co-operate with him in editing the necessary revision of the Uniform Discipline. The request was approved and the appointment of the committee referred to the Central Committee.

In view of the surveys being made by the Home Mission Council and of the extensive and increasing consideration being given to church comity, the Executive Committee expressed its desire to take up at its next meeting the consideration of how Friends will be and should be affected by this movement in church comity and by the information which the surveys will yield. The Committee also requested the American Friends Board of Missions, at its meeting in May, 1930, to give attention to this same matter and advise this Committee of its thought and feeling on the question.

As Chairman of the delegation representing the Five Years Meeting, Wm. O. Mendenhall presented by letter a brief report and interpretation of the quadrennial meeting of the Federal Council of Churches held at Rochester, New York, last December. He raised the point whether Friends may not have a unique contribution to make to Christian thought and activity in the realm of spiritual forces. Reports in pamphlet form covering the past year of co-operative service on the part of the Council were distributed to members of the Executive Committee.

Several appointments were made, among which were the following: Member of the Central Committee to succeed John R. Cary, Howard W. Cope; member of the Editorial Council to succeed John R. Cary, Homer L. Morris; representative of the Five Years Meeting on Administrative Committee of the Federal Council of Churches, S. Edgar Nicholson; representative of the Federal Council Commission on Motion Picture and Drama, W. Glenn Roberts; representatives on the World Conference on Faith and Order, Alfred C. Garrett, Rufus M. Jones and Frank W. Dell; representative on the General Counselling Commission of the Churches (Y. M. C. A.), William J. Reagan.

A communication was read from a committee of the Representative Meeting of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, Arch Street, presenting the problem that has been created among American Friends in the spontaneous springing up of a number of small meetings that have no official relation to any organized body of Friends. Obviously several leading questions have arisen concerning their status and function and the letter suggested that a conference be held for the purpose of going rather fully into the whole subject. The Executive Committee expressed deep interest in the concern and appointed the following Friends to represent the Five Years Meeting at the proposed conference which will prob-

ably be held some time this fall: Ruthanna M. Simms, Walter C. Woodward, S. Edgar Nicholson, William J. Sayers, Lewis C. Moon, Lyra T. Wolkins, Benjamin F. Andrews.

## MEETING AT RAMONA PARK

On September 1st, R. Ernest Lamb, pastor of the Ramona Park, Alhambra, California, Friends Community Church, will take up his duties as pastor of First Friends Church at Seventeenth and Toberman streets, in Los Angeles, he having received and accepted a call from this meeting.

The Ramona Park church has made much progress under the ministry of



R. ERNEST LAMB

Ernest Lamb. It was started with the help of Los Angeles Friends in the fall of 1922, services being conducted in a tent by Tillman Hobson, then pastor at Los Angeles. He came to Ramona Park in January, 1923, and was associate pastor from 1925 to 1927, when Ernest L. Gregory and Neal D. Newlin were with him. When he leaves in August he will have been pastor of the church for four and one-half years and associate pastor two years. The first unit of the meeting-house was commenced in 1923. The buildings, erected in three units, now have an estimated value of \$40,000.

Some figures of the church society may be of interest. There is a present membership (active and associate) of 176, with a Sabbath school enrollment of 408 and a record attendance at Sabbath school of 357. The Brotherhood membership of 75, that of the boy scout troop, sponsored by church, 25, of two Christian Endeavor societies 26, and of the Ladies' Aid and Missionary societies (active) 26.

Ernest Lamb was born in 1887, at Bessbrook in Northern Ireland and educated at Friends Boarding School, Lisburn. Crossing to Canada in 1907, he spent three years in Ontario and in Nova

Scotia. He returned to Ireland in 1910, recrossing to the United States the following year and spending some time in Montana and also at Nebraska Central College, where he acted as registrar and took work in the department of religion. Going east from Nebraska, he spent two years as pastor of Friends Church at Manchester, New Hampshire.

He was married in 1915 to Ruby Hill of Truro, Nova Scotia, a graduate of Dalhousie University, Halifax, and of the University of Missouri. They returned immediately to Ireland, where they spent eight years prior to coming to California in 1923. Two daughters, Margaret and Elizabeth, were born in Ireland. His father and grandfather were both recorded ministers in the Society of Friends.

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Mothers' Day was fittingly observed at Ramona Park Community Church, Alhambra, California, with a message on the qualities of a mother's love by the pastor, and a pageant in the evening presented by twenty high school girls from one of the classes, depicting the modern and old-fashioned mothers, and the problems peculiar to each.

An interesting address was given at the recent meeting of the Brotherhood by Dr. Lee Howard of Los Angeles, who spoke on his experiences as a pastor of one of the leading churches in Columbus, Ohio.

The problem of civic and religious responsibility with reference to the deplorable prevalence of crime in America was presented forcefully at a community banquet on the 20th of April, when Dr. O. P. Gifford of Pasadena, Judge Westover of the Superior Court and Dr. M. A. Shipman of the California Civic Research and Law Enforcement League were the speakers.

Plans are being completed for the holding of another five-week Vacation Church School in our building this summer, in conjunction with the other churches in Alhambra comprising the Community Council of Religious Education.

A call has been accepted by Furnas Trueblood, now serving as pastor at Clinton Corners, New York, to return to California and take up the pastoral work of this church from September 1st. He and his wife were graduated from Whittier College in 1920 and since then have served in Smyrna, Turkey; Lynn, Massachusetts, and Clinton Corners, New York. Whilst pastor of Lynn Meeting he took work in the Boston University School of Theology and has since completed a course in Hartford Theological Seminary. The meeting feels favored in securing his services for this promising field.

A problem unsolved in the right way so often solves itself in the wrong way.



## QUARTERLY MEETING AT BENSON CHAPEL

Sessions of Bloomingdale Quarterly Meeting, held May 18 and 19, at Benson Chapel, near Sullivan, Indiana, were outstanding in many respects. Much prayer had gone up from all over the Quarterly Meeting limits for the blessing of God upon these sessions, as it was the first time the Quarterly Meeting had ever been held in this southern district of Bloomingdale Quarter. Prayer was answered in an unusual and most gratifying way, the presence of the Lord being felt from the first session to the closing minutes of the last service.

In spite of the heavy downpour of rain which continued almost all day, there was a good attendance for the Saturday meetings. A special chartered bus brought a load from the northern points and private autos brought more, so that in all there were approximately 75 people present for the day. Following the Ministry and Oversight meeting, in which reports of the work of the various meetings were given, Lyman G. Cosand, pastor of Bloomingdale meeting, brought a very practical and helpful message from Acts 2:42. The blessing of the Lord rested upon the service and it was almost one o'clock before dismissal was made for lunch.

Following the bounteous lunch, the business of the meeting was transacted. In this session, Friends were favored with a report of the recent sessions of the United Mission Boards by two members of these boards, Charles Coffin and Lenora N. Hobbs. An evening evangelistic service was held with Everett Gerard, pastor at Coloma, in charge.

Sunday sessions began with the Sunday school hour, when in place of assembling for class discussion of the lesson the three contestants in the Quarterly Meeting Bible Memory Contest were heard and the one representing Coloma meeting was adjudged the winner of the contest, though all three scored very closely. Charles Coffin of Bloomingdale, Yearly Meeting Superintendent of Religious Education, led in a brief survey of the lesson for the day. The message of the morning meeting for worship was brought by Richard R. Newby, Yearly Meeting General Superintendent, on the theme of Love. He spoke again in the afternoon young people's session, bringing a challenging and stirring message on Faith. These services, like the meeting for worship of the day before, were also marked by the peculiar presence and blessing of the Lord.

The presence of Inez E. Batchelor, an evangelist from Iowa Yearly Meeting, was greatly appreciated, her testimony and exhortations being timely and helpful. It was a wonderful and blessed Quarterly Meeting, the only exception to its pleasures being the heavy down-

pour of rain, which caused some inconvenience, several autos being too wet to start when it came time to go home Saturday afternoon. A young people's orchestra at the Sunday afternoon service added greatly to the musical part of that session. It was composed of young people from the Providence meeting.

## JAMESTOWN NEWS ITEMS

A reading contest was conducted in the Friends Meeting at Jamestown, Ohio, from the second Sunday in February until the second Sunday in March. There were one hundred forty-two books and magazines on missions and world friendship available. Fifty-four people, from wee Friends to grandparents, read in this contest, with the result that 19,671 pages were read. Those reading the largest number of pages were Cleo Tidd Goodbar, 1,712; Golda Tidd, 1,584; Helen Gray, 1,335; and A. Eliza Robinson, 1,188. During the month talks on home-life of other lands were given in the Sunday school. Pasteboard models of Chinese and African homes were displayed. A large picture map of Africa and other pictures were placed upon the wall for exhibition. On the last Sunday of the contest two pasteboard African huts were placed upon the offering plates and passed through the audience. Smoke-holes had been cut in the tops of the huts and people urged to drop money through the holes. This offering was given to the United Budget.

Preceding Easter Sunday the ministers of Jamestown co-operated in organizing a community chorus of fifty voices. Jamestown is fortunate in having a citizen who is a splendid director of chorus work, and he was able to develop this chorus to a remarkable degree of success. On Easter Sunday afternoon the Easter Cantata, "The Resurrection Song," was presented to an audience of four hundred people. Again, at night the choir presented the same cantata to a packed house of more than five hundred. Printed sheets were placed in the hands of the audience so that people might read the Easter message as the choir sang. This proved to be a very effective method of presenting the Easter message, and at the same time did much to develop the local musical talent.

Sunday, May 12, was used by the Friendly Bible class for the presentation of a splendid Mothers' Day program. The entire worship service was used in this manner. A choir of fifteen children, assisted by a few adult voices, rendered several Mothers' Day songs. These were interspersed with recitations and readings upon the same theme. One young lady delivered a short oration on the origin and meaning of Mothers' Day. The "Quaker Quartet" rendered a beautiful song entitled, "Memories of Mother." Toward the close of the service

## MINISTERS AND WORKERS CONFERENCE

The Ministers and Workers Conference of Western Yearly Meeting was held at Union Street Friends Church, Kokomo, Indiana, May 7-9. The sessions were well attended throughout.

The Conference was saddened on account of the illness of the President, Carey D. Barker of Westfield, who recently suffered a stroke of apoplexy, and John Compton of Monrovia was selected to preside in his stead. The program was carried out in full. The singing was led by Ruth P. Brown of Kokomo. Several special numbers were furnished by Kokomo Friends and nearby meetings.

William S. Kitch, in speaking of the Basis of Pastoral Success, brought out the thought that the measure of pastoral success is the power to win souls. The only way we may hope to succeed is on the basis of preaching Jesus, the Son of God, crucified, risen again for the justification and sanctification of men.

On Tuesday evening, Homer G. Biddecum delivered the Conference sermon, using as his text 2 Cor. 5:20. His theme was "Ministers as Ambassadors. We Are His Representatives."

Dr. L. C. Bently of the M. E. Church of Kokomo presented the subject, The Minister and Minor Things that Defeat Him. He spoke of four things: (1) Misuse of speech; (2) Personal appearance; (3) The Minister in his organization; (4) His attitude toward money.

Bertha E. Day talked on Program Building. A well planned program is essential to success in pastoral work. Growing Sermons was discussed by E. Howard Brown. Every minister ought to have a good crop of them coming on. He gave several suggestive outlines and the sources from which themes may often be secured. Gertrude Reinier spoke on Woman's Ministry, tracing its rise in our own denomination and the attitude of other denominations on the subject.

Richard R. Newby, General Superintendent of the Yearly Meeting, made many practical suggestions to ministers who are entering or leaving a pastorate. John Compton ably discussed the Problems of the Rural Pastor.

The service of Dr. J. A. Huffman, Dean of Marion College, Indiana, was much appreciated by everyone present. He conducted a Bible hour each session and preached one sermon on the subject, The Wonderful Christ.

about twenty bouquets of beautiful flowers were distributed to mothers in the audience. These were used to decorate the church and had been given by young people of the congregation in honor of their mothers. Many mothers were thus surprised to be remembered in this manner. This was followed by a prayer of consecration for all the mothers present.



# OUTLOOK AND OUTREACH

An Occasional Page by the American Friends Service Committee

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## WE ENTER A NEW FIELD

Harry and Rebecca Timbres are going to India instead of to Russia. Ever since they returned from their work with the Service Committee in Russia they have been preparing themselves for further service in that country. Harry has now practically completed his medical work; but there seem to be unusual difficulties in the way of their taking up work in Russia just now. It seemed, therefore, like a definite call to them personally that C. F. Andrews, of India, should at this time have come to the United States, looking for one or two American Friends who might give service at the Settlement, or Ashram, of Rabindranath Tagore, at Santinikan, India.

C. F. Andrews—"Christ's Faithful Disciple," the Indian people call him—is probably the most respected and influential Englishman in India today, and is the close associate and lieutenant of both Gandhi and Rabindranath Tagore. For the last six or eight months he has been in England and the United States trying to build up a more sympathetic and enlightened attitude on the Indian question, and at the same time looking for help in Tagore's work.

C. F. Andrews attended the Service Committee meeting on Fourth Month 25th, and told of the work at this settlement, the "Home of Peace," where the old poet is trying to help build up world brotherhood by having students from all nations live and study together. There is, moreover, a remarkable Junior school founded in 1900, where boys and girls are educated together (!), and a small college. Another most important feature of the work is the village reconstruction program, which has been started in the neighborhood. This includes adult education, Boy Scout work, a co-operative bank, an experimental farm, and various village industries. A new hospital is nearly finished, from which welfare work will be carried on in the nearby villages. It is here that our friends will labor.

For years it has been the dream of Tagore's life to have English or American Friends helping in this work. There is a tremendous opportunity for service here, and the Service Committee felt that the application of Harry and Rebecca for this work was a call which must be forwarded by every means in its power. All present at the meeting, however, felt a very grave sense of responsibility in thus sending these young people and their children to the dangerous service of In-

dia. Friends entered very deeply into the spirit of service shown by them, and into the sacrifice of Edward and Anne Janney, in so sympathetically supporting them in their answer to the call.

They expect to leave about September 1st. Rebecca will go to Woodbrooke with her children for a preliminary period of study, while Harry will go directly to India, and later return to England for a course at the London Medical School of Tropical Diseases. They will remain in India for five years, at the end of which time, if way opens, and they still desire, they may go to Russia.



## THE GERMAN YEARLY MEETING

The German Yearly Meeting has found it necessary to organize in such a way as to legally hold property, and has decided to form what is called a "registered association," the simplest form of organization in Germany. Hans Albrecht, the Yearly Meeting Clerk, has been appointed chairman, and Gilbert MacMaster, our representative in Germany, the first vice-chairman. The property now in question is the Quaker library and the Quaker "Verlag" or publishing house. Also, the Yearly Meeting will probably now take up the matter of the transference of the old burying ground at Pymont from the London Yearly Meeting. (This burying ground, it will be remembered, is a relic of Quakerism in Germany over a hundred years ago.)

The German Yearly Meeting will be held this year from the 21st to the 25th of August, in the Comburg, an old castle in Wurttemberg. The Comburg is used for a "peoples' college" at present and has accommodations for approximately 150 people within the castle, while the town itself can accommodate others.

Frank G. and Rebecca Biddle Bradbeer, Frankfurt's English-American Quaker couple, are soon to leave Germany, Frank after five years of self-sacrificing service there, Rebecca after a shorter period. Before their departure, they hope to visit groups of Friends all over Germany, "to get to know them in their daily life and their own surroundings."



## ARE WE STILL NEEDED ABROAD?

A bunch of letters from Geneva tells us a little of the importance of our work and our workers there. The chief of these letters is from the International Club of Geneva, and is signed by Mr. Fatio, its Secretary; Mr. Phelan, its

President, who is also chief of the Diplomatic Division of the International Labor Office; and Mr. Boissier, Secretary of the Interparliamentary Union.

This letter points out that the majority of the great private organizations which directly or indirectly are promoting the cause of Peace have now located their headquarters in Geneva. This concentration meant the danger of confusion in their relations between them and the great official organizations, and there was urgent need for co-ordination and avoidance of overlapping in their local action. Yet efforts toward common action had to be very tactfully made, not to interfere with the major activities or complete independence of the organizations. More than thirty of these associations are now however organized to promote a "Permanent Center of Information," which furnishes information on all topics of interest to all. They are working out an organization, also, which will "enable them to make representations in their collective interest with greater authority in the future."

Says the letter: "It is impossible to exaggerate the importance of this work in the development of the new International life at Geneva. And you will be gratified to learn that the progress already made could never have been accomplished had it not been for the energy, initiative, and above all, the tact and unselfish devotion of Mr. Pickard."

Another letter from Mr. Rappard, Director of the Graduate School of International Studies, connected with the University of Geneva, speaks of the Student Hostel which is such an important part of the Quaker Center. "The Hostel is so valuable to us that it would seem as if we could hardly do without it. First, we owe to it some of our best students. Second, the students who are there are kept in touch with many international events. Third, Mr. and Mrs. Pickard and their Hostel are in many ways the most useful center of the international community of Geneva, because, thanks to their selflessness, they have succeeded in making friends with everyone, and in avoiding the animosity of anyone."

Here we have an answer to the question, "Are the Quakers still needed abroad?"



## THE NEGRO LOOKS AT FACTS

The second Fact-Finding Conference for the study of the American Negro was held in Durham, N. C., April 17th to 19th, and a formal organization was effected, which is, in brief, to try to "ascertain the true facts regarding various problems confronting the Negro as a group in the United States, and offer some practical program for their solution."

Elbert and Lieuetta Russell and Clara



I. Cox were appointed to represent the Service Committee at the Conference, and writes Lieuetta Russell: "Our greatest regret is that only one other white person attended, and at some of the sessions I was the only white person. These conferences give such a splendid opportunity to learn what the Negro is doing and thinking."

Problems of the Negro in health, education, business, and religion were discussed by leading members of the race, from all over the country. Dr. Kelly Howard, of Howard University, spoke of the tremendous benefits of prohibition to Negroes. The race has made more progress in ten years of prohibition than in the previous fifty-three years of freedom, he said, while race riots and lynching have sharply declined in these same years.

Three things especially impressed the Russells: (1) The people have an "inferiority complex" inherited from slavery, and kept alive by the white man's treatment of them. Therefore, it is very hard for Negro leaders to get them to take any new steps. (2) The serious economic condition of both skilled and unskilled Negro workers. Skilled and educated Negroes are not much employed by Whites, and there are not enough Negro organizations to employ them, this being largely due to their lack of faith in themselves, as above mentioned. (3) The startling facts brought out concerning the inequality of the National, State and Municipal appropriations for Negro and White education."

The fine spirit of the Negro leaders is always most noticeable at these conferences—their courtesy to each other, their willingness to face facts, their courage. A feature of the last session was an address by President Mordecai Johnson, of Howard University, in which he begged his people to keep patient and show always a Christian spirit, in order that "the white man's soul might be saved."

### WHITTIER ACTIVITIES

Mothers' Day was appropriately observed in the First Friends Church of Whittier, California, both in the Bible school and the services for worship. The Women's Class had charge of the devotional period of the school in the main auditorium, under the leadership of Eliza A. Cox. Mary Dell Allen read the poem "When My Mother Tucked Me In," by Betty Garland. Willard O. Trueblood gave a Mothers' Day message on "A Growing Understanding of God," which created eager desire upon the part of the hearers to know God more intimately.

The Girl Reserves gave a Mothers' Day program at the evening service. There were about sixty of them in the choir pews. In the audience were the

Girl Reserves of both the Congregational and the M. E. churches, who were guests of the occasion. The pastor spoke on "The Strength of Girlhood."

J. Edgar Williams, former pastor at Kansas City, Missouri, was a visitor at the church on Mothers' Day.

The Wednesday evening service, May 15, was in charge of the Men's Bible Class, Frank W. Wright presiding. Dr. Roy Van Deman, teacher, gave an able and telling message on Obedience, taking as a base upon which to build, the Scripture given for the Sunday school lesson for May 19, Jeremiah's Call to Obedience, or Obedience Essential in True Religion." He spoke of Herbert Hoover's call to obedience to righteousness, and of the call of Christ to every heart.

Dr. H. L. McCracken, President of Penn College, is in Whittier for a few days. He gave the morning message, May 19, on the subject, "Educational Trends and Their Religious Significance." Many Iowa people and others greeted him at the close of the service.

Charles S. White gave a missionary sermon in the evening. He is superintendent of missions of California Yearly Meeting.

Whittier Quarterly Meeting was held at Whittier, May 18, when Eliza A. Cox brought a message on "Let Patience Have Her Perfect Work." She read from the first chapter of James and also the 133rd Psalm.

Friends are again greatly saddened by the sudden passing of one much beloved. George H. Stubbs and wife, Mary, with another couple in the car, on May 10, had started on a trip to Chicago to visit their daughter and husband, and then relatives and friends in Indiana. They were so happy in their prospect. They had only been on the way one hour when an attack of heart failure in a moment's time released her spirit into the immediate presence of the invisible hosts.

Mary E. Stubbs was born near New Trenton, Indiana, December 9, 1864, and was united in marriage to George H. Stubbs, April 15, 1890, at Thorntown, Indiana, where her parents had moved

while she was yet a child. In 1910 they came to Whittier, where they have since resided. She departed this life the morning of May 10, 1929, leaving her husband, her daughter, Mrs. Esther Canfield, and a brother, James Wild, of Gilping, Illinois.

Funeral services were held in the First Friends Church, May 15, in charge of Willard O. Trueblood, assisted by H. Edwin McGrew and Eliza Cox, teacher of the Women's Bible Class, of which she was a beloved member.

### WITH CARTHAGE FRIENDS

Clyde O. and Lenna R. Watson of Wilmington, Ohio, have accepted the call to the Friends Church at Carthage, Indiana, to succeed Frank C. Guyatt, who, after two and a half years of successful work, resigned to become pastor of the Friends Meeting at Newmarket, Ontario. During the interim the pulpit was ably filled by Fred E. Smith of Spiceland. The first service of the new pastor, on May 5, was well attended and was a spiritual uplift. That evening, Arthur Wolf of Indianapolis, a native of Carthage, spoke to the young people with many older Friends present.

On Mothers' Day, May 12, the Bible school gave an impressive program. Charles O. Whitely, a former pastor for nine years, was present and gave a helpful message to a large, appreciative audience. The May Quarterly Meeting was held at Walnut Ridge and was well attended, many visiting ministers being present. Charles Whitely spoke at the morning meeting for worship, the business session following the noon hour luncheon. Sunday afternoon Charles Whitely talked on Friends work among the Indians and an offering of \$17.00 was taken for the new church at Wyandotte, Oklahoma. Quarterly Meeting in August will be at Carthage.

The Missionary Society was held, May 15, at the home of Lizzie B. Stone, with a covered-dish luncheon at the noon hour. An interesting afternoon program was given by Avery Rawls, assisted by Lenna R. Watson.

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The large Meetinghouse at Friends House, London, England, is said to be the finest hall in London acoustically. On that account, it was hired recently for the purpose of making a gramophone record of a performance of Jack Hilton's band. And it used to be a crime, says *The Friend* (London), for a boy to whistle at a Quaker school!

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Carl D. Byrd, pastor of Alva Meeting, Alva, Oklahoma, gave the baccalaureate sermon for the Gate, Oklahoma, High School, May 12th, 1929. The evening of the 12th he gave the baccalaureate for Rosston, Oklahoma, High School. This was the sixth time he has given service to the Gate High School and his ninth time for the Rosston school.

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Ora W. Carréll, President of Nebraska Central College, writes: "We are very proud of John H. Ferguson, who won first place for us in the recent State Extempore Contest at Omaha, held May 4. We also appreciate the recognition which has come to Professor Watson in being elected president of the Registrars of the State of Nebraska." Mention was made of the former in our issue for May 16, and a picture now available of John H. Ferguson appears in this issue.

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Word has come of the sudden death, on May 6, of Edith Winder, wife of William Littleboy, of Bourneville, Birmingham, England. *The Friend* (London) expresses deep sympathy to William Littleboy in this heavy bereavement. She was born in Richmond, Indiana, and was an instructor at Woodbrooke several years ago, where she met him and later they were happily married. They visited Friends over here some time after their marriage, and many will remember him very pleasantly and unite in sympathy with him in his sad loss.

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The summary tabular statement of membership of London Yearly Meeting and certain activities for 1928 shows that the number of Particular and Allowed Meetings is 393, being three more than in 1927; the number of members in Great Britain is 19,065, an increase of 21; the number residing abroad is 1,001. Convincements totaled 275, resignations and dissociations, 157, while births were 16 more and deaths 26 fewer than last year. Considerable rectifications in the lists of two Quarterly Meetings affect the figures as reported to the Meeting for Sufferings prior to the Yearly Meeting.

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A distinguished caller at the Central Offices the other day was Roger Clark

of Street, England, who was for many years Clerk of London Yearly Meeting. He and his wife have been spending a few weeks in this country following the death, within the year, of the latter's parents, Wm. P. and Emma Bancroft, widely known Friends of Wilmington, Delaware. Roger Clark, grandson of the Quaker English statesman and orator, John Bright, is a shoe manufacturer and his son represents the fourth generation in the family engaged in the business. This son, by the way, as we have already announced in these columns, was recently married to the daughter of Jan Smuts, the illustrious South African statesman.

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Blanche Cummins Hoeffler, a Richmond Friend and a member of the Richmond Scribblers' Club, whose verse has appeared occasionally on our pages, has just published a collection of her poems entitled "Blue Water," which is lovingly dedicated to her husband and son, and will be much prized by her many friends. The publishers, Nicholson Printing Company of Richmond, have done very beautiful work in printing and binding, and the cover design charmingly harmonizes with the sentiment in the first poem which gives its title to the book. Lovers of verse will appreciate these poems, varied in form and style, several of them having a special charm in simplicity and grace. One friend writes: "Her sympathetic insight and firm philosophy of life shine like sunlight through all her verses."

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Charles G. Carpenter of Richmond was at home to his friends on May 21, and many called to express hearty greetings and congratulations on his having attained his ninety-third birthday anniversary. Last year he retired from the milling business in which he had been long engaged and as a gentleman of leisure is enjoying a goodly measure of health for one of his years. His companion who has long shared his life, and one of their daughters who resides at home, see to it that the comforts of life are abundantly provided, so that he is as happy as a king. His interest in the Five Years Meeting, Indiana Yearly Meeting, Earlham College and the city of Richmond continues with the years, and frequently he rides about the city to view the scenes with which he has been so

## NEW ENGLAND Y. M.

The Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England will be held at Moses Brown School, June 25 to 30. Those desiring accommodations may write to Edith L. Buffum, Moses Brown School, Providence, R. I.

long familiar. He still enjoys reading the local newspaper and the weekly visits of *THE AMERICAN FRIEND*.

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During twenty years in Japan, Horace E. Coleman has been associated with many groups and organizations. He is a member of the Executive of the American-Japan Society, Pan-Pacific Association for Japan, the Asiatic Society, Toyko Club, Tokyo English Speaking Society and American Association. A number of times he and his wife have visited Korea and China. He will return from Japan in June and may be addressed, after July first, 481 I. W. Hellman Building, Fourth Street, Los Angeles, California. The Colemans plan to take a party to the Orient, leaving Seattle, Wash., September 21, on S. S. President Cleveland, visiting points of interest in Japan, Korea and China, returning on S. S. President Taft to Los Angeles by December 15. The party will be limited to 25 and registration should be made early to assure good steamer accommodation. They also plan to conduct a Cherry Blossom Tour to Japan and the Orient next spring so that those who cannot go in September may be interested in the tour for the springtime season, 1930. Those interested in making the trip in prospect may obtain full information by writing H. E. Coleman at the above address.

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To the April number of the *American Journal of International Law*, William C. Dennis, Washington, D. C., Friend and international lawyer contributed an article, "The Sinking of the *I'm Alone*," which has been reprinted in pamphlet form. As would be expected, the writer makes a scholarly review of the points at issue, with generous citation of precedents bearing on the case. Inasmuch as some of the facts involved are still in dispute he does not, of course, give a conclusive opinion. In referring to the agreement for arbitration, he says that we have progressed a long ways from the *Trent* affair, when it was said that serious difficulty between the United States and Great Britain was only avoided on account of the fortunate breaking of the Atlantic cable. The concluding paragraph of his pamphlet is as follows: "It is submitted by way of summary conclusion that, if the *I'm Alone* was hailed for the purpose of inquiry within the treaty limit, the subsequent proceedings of the United States Coast Guard vessels upon the facts now appearing were lawful whether tested by international or municipal law. If, however, the *I'm Alone* was hailed outside either of the statutory or the treaty limits, the legality of the



proceedings under municipal and international law respectively affords matter for interesting debate."

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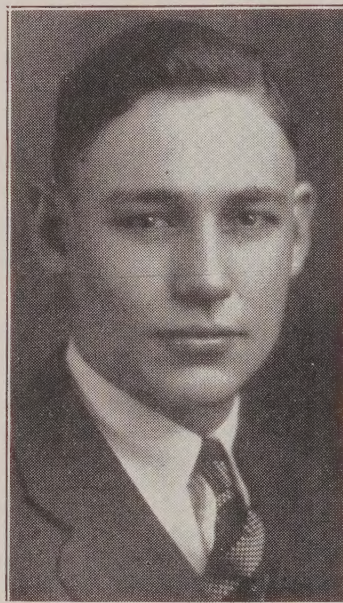
The name of an Earlham College alumnus, Frank Gardner, a birthright Friend in Salem Meeting, a few miles south of Richmond, is prominently associated in the new industry which takes the lowly cornstalk and converts it into paper. A story in the public press tells how, when in Europe in 1926, he accidentally learned in Budapest of the discovery of the new process. He immediately visited the laboratory of Dr. Bela Dorner, the government chemist, who had made the remarkable discovery, observed the process, quickly realized the possibilities involved and with characteristic Yankee forthrightness, immediately secured an option on the American rights. Enters now, singularly enough, another Quaker college alumnus, according to the story, in the person of W. Jule Day, graduate of Guilford College, before whom Frank Gardner presented the option as President of the Euromerican Cellulose Products Corporation and now of its subsidiary, the Cornstalk Products Company of Danville, Illinois. The sequel was the launching of the enterprise whereby news print paper is being manufactured at considerably less cost than from wood pulp and with an unlimited supply, of course, of the raw product required.

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The County Superintendent and entire Board of Education of Guilford County, North Carolina, were guests of the Allen Jay School, located near the old Springfield meetinghouse where Allen Jay was minister from 1866 to 1874. An interesting program was given in connection with the presenting of a portrait to the school of this distinguished Quaker leader, minister and educator for whom the school was named. John J. Blair, of the State Department of Education, represented the Springfield Sunday school, by whom the portrait was given, and made the presentation address. Other institutions of learning were mentioned in which his portrait is found, as Guilford College, Earlham College, Wilmington College, Friends University at Wichita, Pacific College, Oregon, and Whittier College, California, to show the wide scope of his influence as a promoter of learning and minister of the gospel. The *Friends Messenger* for May gives a splendid picture of Allen Jay and of the historic old Springfield school house erected shortly after the Civil War by the Baltimore Association of Friends in 1866, the meeting place of the first normal institute held in North Carolina, and also of men interested in promoting scientific agriculture in the state, and where many well-known men of the state, including the Blairs, went to school. The new Allen Jay School replaces it.

## NEWS OF OUR MEETINGS

The observation of Mothers' Day began in Westfield local meeting, Indiana, on May 7, when the members of the Young Friends Fellowship Group entertained their mothers at the home of Miss Margaret Harvey at 7:30 p. m. Music was furnished by a trio, consisting of Catharine May Talbert, violin; Eleanor Pike,



JOHN H. FERGUSON  
Nebraska Central College Student who won the State Extempore Contest.

'cello, and Anna Lois McMullin, piano. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Beeson gave a vocal duet, and he also gave a vocal and a trumpet solo. The devotional period was conducted by Juanita Allen with the lesson given by Florence Kendall. Refreshments were served and the meeting was turned into a social gathering. Mothers' Day was observed in the Bible school by readings. A star hunt conducted by John Baldwin was very interesting, bringing out the thought that love and reverence are centered in Mother. A musical monologue rendered by Grace Berry with her daughter Eloise at the piano, was appreciated by all. Varner Chance and William Head gave a very effective duet by singing "Tell Mother I'll Be There," and Eleanor Pike gave a 'cello solo. In the meeting for worship Alice Overman read a passage of Scripture concerning the birth and care of Moses, and Della Harvey read a passage from Ruth. Charles Swander, the pastor, gave a sermon appropriate to Mothers' Day.

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Bear Creek Quarterly Meeting again faced adverse conditions of roads and weather, in its session of May 11 and 12. All the meetings in the Quarter were represented on Sunday, except Des

Moines, but most of those who came from any distance, encountered much difficulty en route. On Saturday morning Olive Birch, pastor at Linden meeting, brought the message. In the afternoon the usual business session was held, but there was no night meeting. Lindley Jones, pastor of the First Friends Church at Oskaloosa, who with his wife and son spent most of the day Saturday on the road, was present Sunday and gave two rousing sermons. In the morning he talked of knowing Christ intimately and personally, and in the afternoon he discussed Friends stand on baptism. A Mothers' Day program had been planned for the Sunday School hour, with all meetings participating, but a part of this was unavoidably omitted. Some of those who were to take part in the morning and were not there in time, were used in the afternoon service. The Bruce Barnett Family Orchestra, from Linden, were present and added much to the program.

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Or May 8 the members of the Queer Esther Sunday school class of the Friends Church, Earlham, Iowa, entertained their mothers, either real or borrowed for the occasion, with a Mothers' Day service, held in the church basement. After a welcome speech to the "mother-guests," Lois Barr, who is serving as president of the class this year, sang a beautiful solo, appropriate to the occasion. Then six little tots of three and four, whose mothers are members of the class, gave their sentiments of mother, using the six letters M-O-T-H-E-R. This was followed by an original pageant, written by Mildred Maxwell, depicting motherhood in various stages, from the young mother, with her first baby in her arms, to the revered, gray-haired great-grandmother. After some mother-and-daughter stunts, delicious refreshments were served to the 55 who were present. This organized class, which is composed largely of teachers and young matrons, has a growing membership, and a class roll of about 30.

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At a recent business meeting of the Friends Church at Alva, Oklahoma, Carl D. Byrd, who has served as pastor for five consecutive years, consented to remain for another year. He and his wife have been wholly consecrated to their task and the results of their faithfulness are most gratifying to the church and community. A sympathetic account of him and his work appeared in a local paper, in which he is described as a man of untiring energy, a leader of young people, and under his direction, as the result of an efficient program, all departments of the church have experienced a steady growth. At least two nights each week are devoted to teaching study classes for different groups of young people and he has established an excellent record in religious education work.



Forty-five per cent of the present membership have been received during his ministry with a sixty-two per cent increase in the enrollment of the Sunday school. In addition to church work he has completed more than two years of work toward a degree at Northwestern State Teachers College. He is a member of the board of trustees of Friends University, Wichita, and of the Co-operative Council of Kansas Yearly Meeting, and at the last State Convention of Oklahoma Endeavorers was named vice-president of the International Christian Endeavorer Union. Due largely to his efforts the Endeavorers of Cherokee will lead the great parade at the International Convention to be held at Kansas City in July.

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The first Sunday in May of each year is to be known in Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends, Woonsocket, Rhode Island, as "Alice and Anna Cranston Day," the offering to be added to a memorial fund, the interest of which is to be used for missions. This year Morwenna Tellier gave a few fitting remarks and an appropriate reading in memory of Alice and Anna Cranston, after which an offering of \$25 was received to be added to this fund.

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Mothers' Day was beautifully commemorated at Vermilion Grove, Illinois, by a service in the Sunday school worship period. Mothers and daughters furnished musical numbers and gave short talks. In the evening of the same day Dorothy Rees, an Academy Senior, gave

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the evening message, while her mother led the devotions and sat on the platform. The annual Mother-Daughter banquet was given Saturday, May 11, at the dormitory. International Good Will Day was observed by a special program Sunday morning, May 19. Elmer Jordan, Quarterly Meeting Superintendent, brought the message of the morning. A male quartet sang very acceptably, and Elsie Callahan, a new member, read a very touching selection, "Die Mutter." This service, planned by the Literature and Peace Committee, was freshly stimulating and worth while.

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In the South Durham, Maine, Friends Missionary Reading Contest held from January 1 to April 30, a total of 4,039 points was attained, with twenty-eight persons reading. The greatest number of points of the contest was 720 gained by Mrs. Emmaline Newell who has just passed her eighty-ninth birthday. Last year this auxiliary totalled 1,296 points,

the greatest number of points by an individual being 315. Mrs. Newell read sixty-five books besides Bible passages, Missionary Advocates and pamphlets. The average number of pages per book being over 220. The books ranged from 308 and 331 to 445 pages each. This year ten new readers were gained. After the contest had ended one new reader requested several more books to read as she had been so greatly blessed in reading the others.

### NEW MISSION BOARD

(Continued from page 395)

some years, but since Willis Beede's absence, she has had very heavy responsibilities. The new Board expressed great appreciation of the fine way in which she filled the gap.

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Letters of greeting were sent to missionaries on the fields, to Nancy Lee in Mexico, who has served for forty years in that field; to Katie Gabriel in Palestine, aged worker leaving active service; to Emory and Deborah Rees, an expression of thanks for the great service they have rendered in translation; to Merle and Carrie Davis in Cuba; a note of sympathy to Charles Tebbetts, expressing appreciation for his early pioneer service on the Board and sympathy in his bereavement and illness; and to Willis and Juanita Beede.

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There were many expressions of appreciation of the long service of Ruthanna M. Simms as the untiring Secretary of the Board of Home Missions. Ellison R. Purdy said, "She not only worked herself, but she made us work when we didn't want to."

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Sitting from 9 to 12, then 1:30 to 5, and 7:30 to 10, became a little wearying, but our Secretaries had enviable opportunities for exercise, owing to the number of times they were excused while we discussed them.

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Because of the nature of the first joint meeting, no invitation had been extended to missionaries on furlough to be present. However, Arthur and Edna Chilson were very acceptably present and spoke in their usual forceful manner in addition to the Africa report. Their furlough is being extended to three years until their daughters finish college.

### WOONSOCKET NEWS ITEMS

The Sunday school of the Smithfield Monthly Meeting at Woonsocket, Rhode Island, has finished a ten weeks' Radio Contest. The classes were divided—half Reds, half Blues—with a captain and a judge over all, the contest being based on membership attendance and punctuality. The Blues won and to the Red fell the lot of serving a supper and giving an entertainment to all.

Alfred E. Standing spoke at the Union Service, Sunday, May 19.

Quarterly Meeting was held at Worcester, Massachusetts, May 12, with forty-three of the Woonsocket Friends in attendance to enjoy the fine meetings. It was a great privilege to hear Thomas J. Battey of Providence, Rhode Island, Sunday morning, as his messages are always rich in knowledge, experience and spiritual help. Saturday evening the young Friends, and many of the older group, enjoyed the address by Adam Zajas, "The Boy Preacher." He is an earnest Polish boy attending high school in Providence, Rhode Island, who has turned from the Catholic to the Protestant faith.

Marie Cassell spoke Saturday afternoon and ably presided over the Sunday-school period, at which time they also had the Bible Memory Contest. Eunice Estes of Woonsocket won in this contest by giving the first, twenty-third and ninety-sixth Psalms and the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians. They were judged on expression, interpretation, memory and pronunciation. She had won in the local contest, was then sent to

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Quarterly Meeting and will now go to Yearly Meeting as our representative in the final contest.

At the business meeting Arthur B. Farr's resignation as clerk of the Quarterly Meeting was accepted and Leslie H. Barrett, pastor of the Worcester Meeting, was appointed to serve in his place.

### BIRTHS

JONES—To Roy and Ethel Jones, near New Burlington, Ohio, May 9, 1929, a son, James Allen.

BYRD—To Carl D. and S. Ella Byrd, Alva, Oklahoma, May 18, 1929, a son, Harold S.

### DEATHS

JOHNSON—At the home of his son in Indianapolis, April 21, 1929, Eleazer B. Johnson in his ninetyeth year. Born near Mooresville, Indiana of pioneer Quaker parents, he was ever a faithful member of the church. His aged wife, three sons and a daughter survive him. Funeral service and burial at Mooresville.

JOYNER—At Richmond, Virginia, April 8, 1929, after a brief illness, Henry Crawford Joyner, son of Alexander and Martha C. Joyner, in his thirty-second year. Born at Sedley, Va., a birthright member of Black Creek Friends Meeting, he married Mildred Bollinger of Amelia Virginia, in 1922, who survives him. Funeral services at Black Creek meeting-house were conducted by Jesse A. Stanfield. Interment at Rosemont cemetery, Sedley, Virginia.

MACY—In the hospital, Whittier, California, Wayne C. Macy, son of Alvah J. and Mary Lewis Macy, in his eighty-second year. Born near Economy, Indiana, a birthright Friend, he was married in 1876 to Mary E. Mills of Mooresville, who died thirty years ago. Three sons and two daughters survive him. Funeral and burial at Mooresville, Indiana.

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THOMPSON—At her home near Hazelwood, Indiana, January 10, 1929, Elizabeth Thompson, daughter of James and Jemima Ward Thompson, a member of Mooresville, Indiana, Friends Meeting. A woman of quiet, unassuming disposition, she had many friends and was much loved. The husband, two sons and a daughter survive her.

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